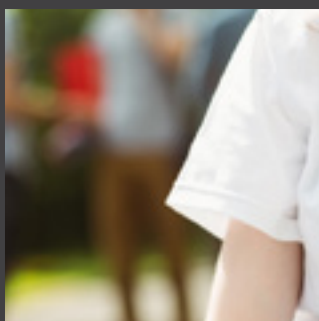
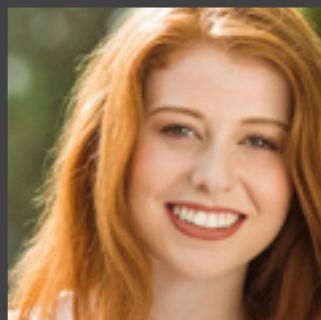


# MSc Management Information and Managerial Accounting Systems

CKL05





The MSc Management Information and Managerial Accounting Systems (MSc MIMAS) is unique in combining digital capabilities with management accounting.

The hybrid skills empower students to design systems and decision support tools, whilst assimilating the relationship of data to management decision making.

Through research and practical work, students also become confident communicators, capable of analysing complex processes and implementing organisational change.

The applied nature of the MSc MIMAS has evolved in response to market needs. For example, as data analytics became increasingly prevalent, the MSc MIMAS incorporated an advanced data visualisation and dashboard module into its curriculum.

The placement is the culmination of the MSc MIMAS programme, challenging students to apply their newly acquired confidence and enthusiasm in industry. The dual focus of the MSc MIMAS programme on Management Accounting and IT skills, allied to the emphasis on communication skills and professionalism, nurtures a well-rounded, commercially aware and technically robust graduate ready to slot into the workforce and add value from the start to any organisation they join.



## UNIQUE ASPECTS

MIMAS is unique in its professional nature, its focus on career and its diversity. Students hone their analysis and communication skills with industry panels, guest lecturers and group projects.

- Work on placements starts immediately, leveraging past experience and new skills to build career opportunities.
- The programme also offers an induction week which focuses on team-building skills and professional development in the form of CV and interview preparation workshops.
- The programme attracts a diverse audience, who, by working closely together, acquire confidence in team work and collaboration.
- Exemptions from the professional examinations of global accountancy body - CIMA. Including entry into CIMA's Gateway Programme.

## PLACEMENT

There are national and international placement opportunities available.

The MSc MIMAS programme is unique in having cultivated an international reputation for the calibre of our students, and we have strong relationships with placement companies and employers in Ireland, the UK and continental Europe.

Across the Atlantic, students have been placed in organisations in New York and Seattle.

Strong links are maintained with the financial services industry in Luxembourg.

Post-graduation, a growing contingent of Chinese students have opened up the possibility of careers in China.



## LEARNING OUTCOMES

On successful completion of this programme, students should be able to:

- Communicate and work effectively to a high professional standard
- Demonstrate advanced analytical and problem solving skills associated with effective practice
- Engage in advanced application of frameworks and techniques in organisational settings
- Apply management accounting techniques to support organisational decision-making
- Analyse management information needs and develop appropriate process automation and business intelligence solutions

## PRACTICALITIES & ASSESSMENT

### Practicalities

This programme consists of traditional classroom-based lectures in addition to a series of computer practical sessions.

Students will also gain experience of seminars, industrial site visits, guest lectures, provide presentations to (and feedback from) leading industry experts etc.

On average, one can expect 25 contact hours per week (i.e. lectures/practical sessions) as well as time spent researching and completing projects and assignments.

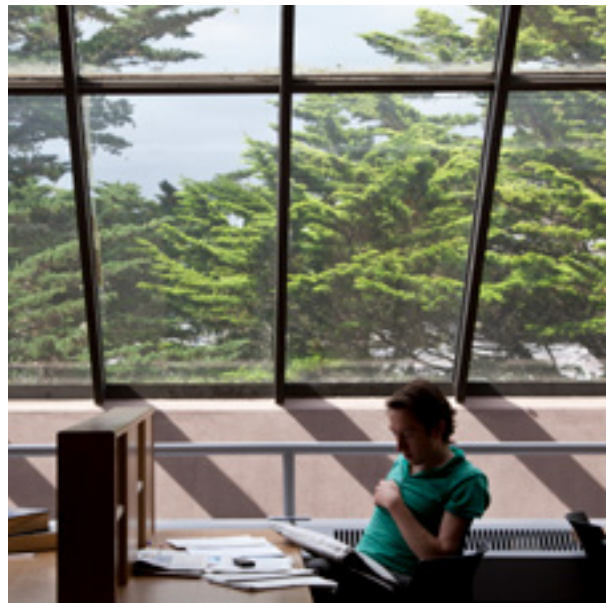
### Assessment

A variety of assessment methods are used during this programme. In addition to the traditional end-of-year written examinations, students will undertake a series of individual and group assignments and projects during the year in the areas of both management accounting and information systems.

In addition, an applied research project is undertaken in groups by all students during the second teaching term, culminating with a series of group presentations to leading industry experts who in turn provide invaluable feedback and advice to each student group.

The IS6215 Business Research and Communications Skills module, which forms part of the course syllabus, is an invaluable tool for students in preparing for such presentations.

Programme Code: **CKL05**  
Duration: **15 months (Full-time)**  
Teaching Mode: **Classroom**  
Qualification: **MSc**  
NFQ Level: **Level 9**



**BRIGHT**

**MOVERS**

WHAT OUR STUDENTS & GRADUATES  
**SAY ABOUT US...**

“THE FINANCIAL  
AUDITOR INTERNSHIP  
WAS A UNIQUE  
OPPORTUNITY.  
NOT ONLY HAVE I HAD  
THE CHANCE TO VISIT  
CORPORATE HQ IN  
SEATTLE, BUT ALSO  
TO MEET COLLEAGUES  
IN SUBSIDIARIES IN  
EUROPE AND THE  
MIDDLE EAST.

From the outset of my internship I have had meetings with senior staff members from many areas of business, improving my business communication skills and opening up many networking opportunities.

At the end of my internship, I had the chance to interview for three different roles and accepted a role with the Credit Services team.”

**FIONA CORCORAN**

**Microsoft**

**MSc MIMAS graduate**

“Our experience of the MSc programme has been very positive. The students come from a very useful background covering both Accounting and Information Systems, enabling them to take on an increasingly wide range of responsibilities during their internship.”

**SES GLOBAL**

**Luxembourg**

“The MIMAS course is a perfect fit for the professional services industry. Students are enthusiastic, display a ‘can-do’ attitude and leave a positive impression with our firm.”

**ERNST & YOUNG**

**Dublin**

“I found this MIMAS programme to have an excellent balance of subject matter, and the internship provided a valuable ‘real world’ insight.

The CIMA exemptions also helped me to complete my exams in just 2 sittings.”

**SIMON MacALLISTER**

**Graduate**

**Ernst & Young, Cork**

## ENTRY REQUIREMENTS 2020

### Irish/EU Students and International Students

This programme is open to all graduates with at least a 2H2 degree (GPA 3.00 out of 4.00) or equivalent, except graduates from degrees with high levels of software development and management accounting content (e.g. BSc Business Information Systems, BSc Accounting).

Candidates who do not meet or achieve the 2H2 (GP 3.00 out of 4.00) or equivalent, may be admitted to the programme on the basis of significant practical or professional experience as deemed appropriate by the Head of Department and subject to the approval of the Cork University Business School.

It is important to apply early as we anticipate the programme will be over-subscribed. If your application is successful at this stage you will receive an offer or (if you have not yet received your final exam results) a conditional offer. If you meet the application requirements but the programme is full, you will be placed on the waiting list.

Students on this waiting list get priority over later applicants. If the programme has not been filled in the first round, or by the first round waiting list, and your application is successful, you will

receive an offer or a conditional offer. If you meet the application requirements but the programme is full, you will be placed on the waiting list.

No prior knowledge of Accounting / Information Systems is required.

### English Language Requirement:

Applicants from non-native English-speaking countries will be required to undertake a recognised English language test.

Please see accepted tests and minimum requirements below.

### IELTS: 6.5

With no individual section lower than 5.5

### TOEFL: 90

With minimum scores as follows:

- Listening: 17      - Reading: 18  
- Speaking: 20    - Writing: 17

**Cambridge Proficiency Exam:** Grade C

**Cambridge Advanced Exam:** Grade B

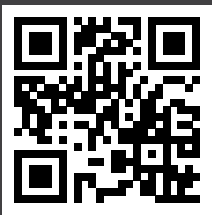
**Pearson PTE:** Minimum Score of 63

With no section score below 59

### APPLICATION PROCESS

Application for this programme is online at the Postgraduate Application Centre [www.pac.ie/ucc](http://www.pac.ie/ucc) (PAC Code: CKL05)

For more information on the Programme:



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